

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY AMMAN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8531  
INFO AMEMBASSY JIDDA

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E.O. 11652 GDS  
TAGS: PFOR MASS JO US SA  
SUBJECT: JORDAN AIR DEFENSE

REF (A) AMMAN 3683 (B) JIDDA 4896, (C) AMMAN 3707(NOTAL

1. FOLLOWING ATHERTON TELECON, I CALLED KING HUSSEIN BACK ON  
TELEPHONE AT MIDNIGHT JULY 14/15 AND TOLD HIM THE FOLLOWING  
(A) SAUDIS HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH US IN JIDDA  
(B) SAUDIS HAD ASKED US SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT PROPOSAL WHICH  
I HAD EXPLAINED TO KING ON JULY 4(510-543M PROPOSAL) (C) WASHINGTON  
WAS PREPARING REPLIES TO THESE QUESTIONS WHICH IT EXPECTED  
TO PASS TO OUR EMBASSY IN JIDDA VERY QUICKLY. KING RELAXED  
AUDIBLY OVER TELEPHONE AND SAID THAT NEWS WAS GOOD AND HE WAS  
PLEASED WE WERE FOLLOWING UP ON SAUDI APPROACH.

2. I BELIEVE ABOVE MEETS NEEDS OF RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED  
IN REF (A AND B) SATISFIES THE PROBLEM WITH KING WHICH  
WAS DEVELOPING FURTHER AS REPORTED IN REF (C) INCIDENTALLY JORDANIAN  
SOURCES HERE HAVE TOLD US THAT SAUDI AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON  
ALI REZA TOLD JORDANIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON THAT PRINCE ABDULLAH  
HAD COMMITTED SAUDIS TO PRESIDENT FORD DURING HIS RECENT TRIP  
TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR JORDAN AIR DEFENSE. NO MENTION MADE OF A  
"LOAN" OR PAYMENTS OVER 10-YEARS BY SAUDIS AS FAR WE WE CAN  
TELL.  
PICKERING

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